

Texas ARP ESSER State Plan Highlights

Total ARP ESSER allocation for Texas: \$12,427,523,267

ARP ESSER funding released to Texas on March 24, 2021: \$8,279,059,186

ARP ESSER funding released to Texas on July 7, 2021: \$4,148,464,081

2020-2021 Preliminary Statewide Enrollment: 5,372,806

Top Priorities Within Texas' Plan:

- Addressing lost instructional time as a result of the pandemic through summer, extended learning, and afterschool programs
- Supporting students' mental health needs

Highlights of Texas' Plan:

- **Returning to In Person Learning in 2021 Safely Reopening Schools and Sustaining Safe Operations:** In the upcoming school year, Texas schools will be required to offer in-person instruction to all students. All local educational agencies (LEAs) will have access to screening testing, which can be funded by the American Rescue Plan. LEAs may also choose to offer COVID-19 vaccinations to eligible students and educators as a vaccine provider and/or in partnership with local health providers.
- **Investing in Summer Learning and Addressing the Academic Impact of Lost Instructional Time:** TEA plans to use American Rescue Plan funds to invest in summer learning programs for Texas students and will use design-thinking based processes to extend the school day and year. Texas also plans to offer high-dosage tutoring, high-quality instructional materials, and job-embedded professional learning to help address the academic impact of lost instructional time on K-12 students in the state this summer and next school year. TEA will create a diagnostic application process for LEAs to identify which evidence-based interventions are the right fit for its schools.
- **Expanding Afterschool Programs:** TEA plans to use American Rescue Plan funds to provide evidence-based comprehensive afterschool programs to Texas students. These afterschool programs will be developed in partnership between LEAs and community organizations and will involve high-dosage tutoring and job-embedded professional learning. TEA will also encourage campuses to engage local stakeholders and make formal partnerships with providers of high-quality out-of-school time programs to expand the reach of afterschool programs for more students with the support of the American Rescue Plan funds.

When Texas's LEA Use of Funds Plans will be due: July 27, 2021